



## Information About Dual Credit Addictions Counselling Courses From Northern Lakes College

### Why take dual credit Addictions Counselling courses?

1. Earn up to 45 CTS credits toward their high school diploma.
2. Lower your workload in College. Completing courses before entering the program will reduce the workload while in the program.
3. Find out if the Addictions Counselling program is something that you are interested in before enrolling in College.
4. Save money. Some costs may be covered by your high school. Check with your school to determine if they cover any expenses.
5. Qualify for a \$500 tuition bursary. Dual credit students who successfully complete qualify for tuition bursary if they continue their post-secondary education with Northern Lakes College.



### Where is the program available?

The Addictions Counselling Program is available at any participating school.

### When is the program available?

1. Term 1 - Sept 6 to Dec 16, 2022
2. Term 2 - Jan 3 to Apr 21, 2023.
3. Term 3 – May 1 to June 23, 2023

### What prerequisites are needed to get into the program?

1. Students must have or be co-enrolled in English 30-1 or 30-2 to start taking courses as a dual credit student.
2. Students that wish to enroll in the program after taking dual credit courses must meet all the program entrance requirements, which include:
  - a. English 30-1 (60%) or 30-2 (70%).
  - b. At least 18 years of age
  - c. Police Information Check and an Intervention Record Check are required for practicum placements.

Note: Because of the nature of the program, students must not be abusing alcohol or drugs for at least one year before applying. In addition, students must not be abusing drugs for the duration of the program.

### How difficult is the program?

1. The courses in this program are at the college level and therefore require a significant commitment on behalf of the student, the parent, the high school and the College. You need to be sure you are ready to dedicate yourself to the courses before applying.
2. Parents are encouraged to stay informed of their child's progress in the program via the high school.

## Other things you need to know:

1. For the Addictions Counselling courses, students will follow the schedule as laid out by the College, which may differ from the high school schedule. The schedule will be provided when you start the program.
2. There are twenty-one courses in the Addictions Counselling diploma program, students can take up to nine courses by dual credit.
3. Completing the NLC Addictions Counselling diploma program allows students a block transfer into year 3 of the Bachelor of Health Sciences Degree at the University of Lethbridge.
4. Most classes offered online can be worked on at any time. These are referred to as asynchronous classes. Other classes are offered online, during a live session. These are referred to as synchronous classes. Most synchronous classes can be taken asynchronously – meaning attendance to live classes is not mandatory, and recordings of the live classes are made available to students. (ADDP0120 is an exception to this – attendance is mandatory).
5. Below is a listing of the nine courses available by dual credit toward the Addictions Counselling diploma program.



Term	Course Name	Live Online Class Times
1	ADDP0110 - Introduction to Addictions Studies (asynchronous)	N/A
	ADDP0120 - Introduction to Counselling Skills ** (synchronous)	TBD
	AFDN0150 - Introduction to Pharmacology (asynchronous)	N/A
	LDER0180 - Leadership in Helping Professions * (synchronous)	TBD
	PSYC1060 - Psychology for the Health Care Professional* (synchronous)	TBD
	ENGL1000 - Introduction to English Language and Literature * (synchronous)	TBD
	HEED1010 - Health Education: Personal Health and Wellness * (synchronous)	TBD
	SOCI1000 - Introduction to the Study of Society * (synchronous)	TBD
	ABST2100 - Introduction to Aboriginal Issues *(synchronous)	TBD
2	ABST2100 - Introduction to Aboriginal Issues *(synchronous)	TBD
	SOCI1000 - Introduction to the Study of Society* (synchronous)	TBD
	HEED1010 - Health Education: Personal Health and Wellness*	TBD
	ENGL1000 - Introduction to English Language and Literature*	TBD
3	HEED1010 - Health Education: Personal Health and Wellness*	TBD

\* These courses transfer to many different programs at the College.

\*\* Attendance in the Live Online Class is Mandatory

6. For more information about a career as an Addictions Counselling, check out the [alis.alberta.ca](http://alis.alberta.ca) website. You will find information on Addictions Counselling and other careers under the 'Occupations in Alberta' link.
7. For more information on the Addictions Counselling program at Northern Lakes College, check out the College website at [northernlakescollege.ca](http://northernlakescollege.ca).
8. Application deadline is six weeks before the start date of the course, however, students are encouraged to apply early as the classes can fill up before the application deadline.